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For the benefit of the Regional Personnel and Training Officers there is inaugurated, in this issue of "Soil Conservation Literature", a new section in which are listed recent publications of interest. It is expected that such references will also appear in forthcoming issues under the section heading "PERSONN'L AND TRAINING". Any suggestions for inclusion will be gladly received.

PTRSONNEL AND TRAINING

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- Mason, C.W. and Cleeton, G.U. Modern executive technique. Personnel 15(3):144-148. February 1939.

Emphasizes the strategic importance of the executive in the business organization.

- Milwaukee.Municipal reference library. Bibliography on pre-entry and in-service training for government service... Tleanor Granger, assistant, Lucile M.Perry, cataloger. 11 numb.l. Milwaukee, Wisc., 1938. 241.3 M64
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"Coordination in management becomes more difficult and necessary with increase in the size of an enterprise and progressive specialization. As aids to coordination, this study recommends a clear conception of the nature of divisions of functions and authority; a thoughtful determination of the scope of direct supervision; and development of 'staff assistants' who possess a broad knowledge of departmental functions."

Pasdermadjian, H. The planning staff in administrative management. Plan Age 5(3):84-95. March 1939.

Schultz, R.S. Psychological aspects of safety training. Personnel 15(2):81-90. November 1933.

"This helpful article discusses one of the most important aspects of accident prevention, namely, the psychological element. The key man in a prevention program, Dr. Schultz says, is the foreman or supervisor, whose attitude toward society is readily reflected by the individuals under his direction."

Sweet, Lenning. Effective internship training. Personnel 15(2):57-65.
November 1938.

"In this very fine description of an intern training program, the author (who is a member of the Training Division, Social Security Board) points out that although the internship plan has suffered many failures, it continues to recur. The reason for its persistence, he believes, is that it has immense possibilities, which are planned for but not very often realized because of improper administration."

- U.S.Bureau of foreign and domestic commerce. Division of business review. Some references on office management. 3pp., mimeogr. Washington, D.C., 1938; 157.55 So52
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- U.S.Dept.of agriculture.Graduate school. Administrative management, principles and techniques.A scries of lectures by outstanding leaders in the management field delivered in the graduate school of the Department of agriculture, from October to December 1937. 108pp., illus. Washington, rc1938, 1 Ag854A

Lettered on cover: A short course in the application of management principles in the public service.

"Books on administrative management and related subjects", pp.106-108.

- U.S.Farm security administration. Tenant purchase division. The principles of conference planning for training purposes (Address by Paul V. Maris... before the annual conference of personnel advisors... October 12,1938) 23 numb.l., mimeogr. Washington, D.C.? 1938, 1.95 T25A
- U.S.Tennessee valley authority.Personnel department. In-service training an aid in personnel administration. v.p. KnoxvillejJuly 1938 173.2 T25Ins
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Gardner, I.C. Relation of camera error to photogrammetric mapping. U.S.Natl.Bur.Standards.Jour.Research 22(2):209-235, illus. February 1939.

Research paper RP1177.

Glover, P.E. The utility of aerial photographs as an aid to botanical survey. Jour. So. African Bot. 4(2):33-44. April 1938.

Article indicates that aerial photographs were advantageous in carrying out investigations on the ecology of the flora in relation to the geology and other factors of the region, on a farm near Oberholzer on the West Rand.

Dams

First Mississippi flood-control dam. Pngin.News-Rec.122(11):376-379, illus. Mar.16,1939.

"Sardis dam on a tributary of the Yazoo river in Mississippi adds the first headwaters detention reservoir to the modern flood-control works of the lower Mississippi river. Nearly 13,850,000 cu.yd. of hydraulic fill in a 2 3/4 mile earth embankment of 16,760,000 cu.yd. forms a flood detention reservoir of 1,500,000 acre-ft.capacity. As the first of several flood-control dams listed in the revised lower-Mississippi flood-control plan and as a trial of delta soils for hydraulic fill the work has great experimental interest.

Hansen dam preliminaries started by Guy F.Atkinson. Grading operations started on large rolled earthfill structure being built by U.S. Engineers for flood control near Los Angeles. West.Construct.News 13(11):414-415,illus. November 1938.

LCRA(Lower Colorado River Authority)announces flood policy. Texas agency will raise Marshall Ford dam and use storage only for flood control. Engin.News-Rec.122(12):407-416. Mar.23,1939.

Thomas, H.A. and Hamilton, W.S. Jet deflectors for high-dam outlet conduits. Désigns for a variety of situations developed by model tests at Carnegie Institute of Technology. Civ. Engin. 9(5):297-300, illus. May 1939.

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Martin, R.J. Duststorms of 1938 in the United States. U.S.Mo.Weather Rev. 67(1):12-15. January 1939.

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Part of "A Hydrology of the Great Lakes. A Symposium."

"The evaporation experiments reported in this paper were conducted at Duluth, Kewaunee, Detroit and Buffalo...The experiments indicate that the effect of the wind on evaporation is fundamentally different from that indicated by the common evaporation formula. The rate of evaporation from open-water surfaces when the air temperature is below freezing has been investigated for the first time."

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- Covell, W.E.R. Flood control in the Pittsburgh district. Mil. Engin. 31(177):177-181, illus. May/June 1939.
- Fisher, E.A. and Covas, P.A. Genesee river flood control at Rochester, N.Y. Civ. Engin. 9(5):305-308, illus. May 1939.
 Condensed from a longer paper delivered before the Rochester meeting of the American Society of Civil Engineers.
- Richards, B.D. Further note on flood-hydrographs. Jour. Inst. Civil Engin. 11(6):585-610, illus. April 1939.
 Paper no. 5206.
- Use of asphalt revetments extended after flood test. Experiments of last few years along channels of Los Angeles flood district expanded this season by laying of 360,000 sq.ft.of protective paving on levees. West.Construct.News 13(12):430-431. December 1938.

 Stream bank control projects carried out by the Los Angeles County Flood Control District.

Grass and Grass Seeds

Beeler, M.N. New Buffalo grass. Capper's Farmer 50(4):9,illus. April 1939.

Reports a "high seed bearing strain of buffalo grass now under development at the Fort Hays Branch of the Kansas Experiment Station.

Burton, G.W. Scarification studies on southern grass seeds. Jour. Amer. Soc. Agron. 31(3):179-197, illus. March 1939.

Cardon, P.V. Toward a grassland agriculture. Jour. Amer. Soc. Agron. 31(3):2**2**9-231. March 1939.

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That philosophy would take account of at least these assumptions:

"1. That the ideal of soil conservation in America will become a fact when farm practice generally accepts and includes in cropping

systems grass as grass and not as an expedient...

"2. Farmers will accord to grass its proper place in American agriculture when they become convinced that grass culture is economically feasible not only as a dependable source of feed for livestock, but as a soil-improving crop to be reflected in the returns from other crops and as an otherwise legitimate component of cropping enterprise.

"3. To this end, all research, educational, and action agencies could

well afford to align their forces ... "

Also in Herb.Rev.7(1):7-9. March 1939. Title is "The trend towards a grassland agriculture in the United States."

Editorial on article in Better Crops With Plant Food 23(3):27-28. March 1939.

Hermann, Wilford and Eslick, Robert. Susceptibility of seedling grasses to damage by grasshoppers. Jour. Amer. Soc. Agron. 31(4):333-337. April 1939.

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Grasses that are adapted for ranges. Utah Farmer 58(12): Smith, M.A. Feb.10,1939.

The writer gives results obtained over a period of 30 years since 1908 in Wasatch county, Utah in the Wallsburg area, also since 1910 in and near the Deep creek area, on the east end of Wasatch county and since 1925 in Routt and Moffat county, Colorado.

Tindall, Cordell. Grass comes back. Livestock raising fits more farms than ever before. Missouri Ruralist (80(6):3,18,illus. Mar.18,1939. Several Missouri farmers cite the principles of a year-round pasture system, using winter rye, crimson clover, winter vetch and Sudan grass.

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- Bellasis, E.S. Flow in open channels. Indian Engin. 103(4):135-136, April 1938; 103(6):189-190, June 1938.

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- Roessel, B. Een hydrologische studie over het wezen der retentie in den waterafvoer (Hydrological study of the nature of retention in the water cycle) Tectona 32(1):1-82,illus. January 1939.

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Grower uses old license plates as irrigation aid. Calif.Citrogr. 24(5):196,illus. March 1939.

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- Kulp, M.R. Good irrigation conserves soil. Utah Farmer 59(6 i.e.7): 10. Oct.25,1938.
- Logan, H.M. Against drouth. Capper's Farmer 50(4):11, illus. April 1939.

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- Sprinkler irrigation use studied. Operation and cost data reported by SCS(Jack Rodner, Ellensberg, Wash.) Oreg. Farmer 62(6):139. Mar.16, 1939.
- Taylor, C.A. Advantages of broad-furrow irrigation. Pacific Rural Press 137(11):262-263, illus. Mar. 18, 1939.

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Kifer, R.S. The place of farm management in a general program of land use planning and land development. Southwest. Soc. Sci. Quart. 19(3): 281-291. December 1938.

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Wolcott, Leon. National land-use programs and the local governments. Natl. Munic. Rev. 28(2):111-119. February 1939.

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Culbertson, R.E. Birdsfoot trefoil - a promising legume for the north-eastern states. Soil Conserv. 4(10): 242-244, 249, illus. April 1939.

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"An important deduction which follows from the modified theory is that clays may have zero permeability at quite considerable porosities, e.g. at e=0.207 for a clay soil, and e=0.355 for a plastic clay."

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"The rate with which a soil will permit water to flow through it is of prime importance in the design of practically all structures in contact with earth. It is of especial importance in the design of earth dams, foundations on more or less plastic soils, retaining walls and cofferdams. 'It is pointed out that a study of disturbed samples, of which the natural structure has been lost, is justifiable in connection with such constructions, in that the material in the dam will have little, if any structural relation to the material in its natural state. The soil under the dam will be much compressed and altered and will differ considerably in structure from what it was previous to the placing of the dam. Therefore, disturbed samples are satisfactory for most purposes in preliminary work at least."—Txp.Sta.Rec.80(3):403. March 1939.

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Horton, R.E. Density currents in reservoirs and lakes. Civ. Engin. 9(4):254. April 1939.

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Water for lower Rio Grande valley. Studies of American reservoir sites follow recommendations of special engineering board. Engin. News-Rec. 122(15):487-488. Apr.13,1939.

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 Reproduced, by arrangement from The Engineering Journal, October 1938.
- Griffith, J.R. Construction design chart. XXXVI...Runoff in farming country. West.Construct.News 13(12):449,illus. December 1938.

 Burkli-Ziegler formula for determination of run-off from a given drainage area, useful in determination of culvert size.
- Holmes, J.M. and Maze, W.H. The control of rain run-off; an experiment in the Tamworth district, New South Wales. Aust. Geogr. 3(5):37-41. November 1938.

"This paper describes an experiment, the success of which restores the balance between road and field drainages. Further, it establishes a new principle in erosion control measures, for whereas most methods to date make efforts to drain the surplus rain water off paddocks into creeks where it may be allowed to run to waste, the above method demonstrates that better dispersion within the property will obviate the necessity of outlets for surplus rain run-off. Further, the additional moisture retained in the paddock will be beneficial to crops in areas with a rainfall regime comparable with that of the wheat belt of New South Wales."

Sherman, L.K., Zoch, R.T. and Bernard, Merrill. Analysis of run-off characteristics. Discussion. Amer. Soc. Civ. Engin. Proc. 65(3):511-526, illus. March 1939.

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Snyder, F. F. and Hoyt, W.G. Analysis of run-off characteristics. Discussion. Amer. Soc. Civ. Engin. Proc. 65(4):686-692, illus. April 1939.

Discussion of paper of same title by Otto H. Meyer appearing in November 1938 Proceedings.

Sedimentation and Silt

Bauer, S.G. A theory of silt transportation. Discussion. Amer. Soc. Civ. Engin. Proc. 65(3): 463-464. March 1939.

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Barger, Cecil. How turkeys help save the soil. Missouri Ruralist 80(6):14. Mar.18,1939.

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"And what is better to raise on this grass than - turkeys?"

- Bast, Homer. The conservation of southern soil. Univ. Va. News Letter 1 5(8):1. Jan. 15, 1939.
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- Ciriacy-Wantrup, S.von. Land conservation and social planning. Plan Age 5(4):1 09-119. April 1939.

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Develop educational program for soil-conservation districts. U.S. Dept.Agr.Ext.Serv.Rev.10(3):48. March 1939.

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- Manweiler, Jack. Woodland caribou in the "big bog". Minn. Conservationist, no. 65:16-17, 23, 30, illus. February 1939.

 Describes "a spectacular experiment" which "has averted complete

disappearance of this valuable big game species."

No taxes on soil saving, beauty, etc. Prog. Farmer and South. Ruralist (Car-Va.ed.) 54(5):5. May 1939.

Following is the tax policy adopted by the North Carolina state legislature: "It is hereby declared to be the policy of the State so to use its system of real-estate taxation as to encourage the conservation of natural resources and the beautification of homes and roadsides and all tax assessors are hereby instructed to make no increase in the tax valuation of real-estate as a result of the owner's enterprise in adopting any one or more of the following progressive policies... Terracing or other methods of soil conservation, to the extent that they preserve values already existing; Protection of forests against fire; Tree planting for reforestation purposes (for 10 years after planting)."

Rice, C.M. A weekender's adventures in conservation. Wild Flower 16(1):1-6, illus. January 1939.

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Blough, G.O. Illustrated unit of work. Studying our natural resources. Instructor 48(7):41-48, illus. May 1939.

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